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LETTER

Madam:

Further to the Third Amendment submitted October 25, 2004, it has come to my attention that the Serial Number in the heading of the amendment should be amended as follows: "10/613,167" should be --10/613,168--. The foot of each page correctly listed the serial number as did the Fee Transmittal Form. The Transmittal Form was, however, also incorrect. I am therefore submitting an additional corrected copy of the Third Amendment. The fee was transmitted and correctly designated to this application serial number.

My apologies for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Respectfully submitted,

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THIRD AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2004, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 49 of this paper.